



Dear Friends and Family, *September 2025*

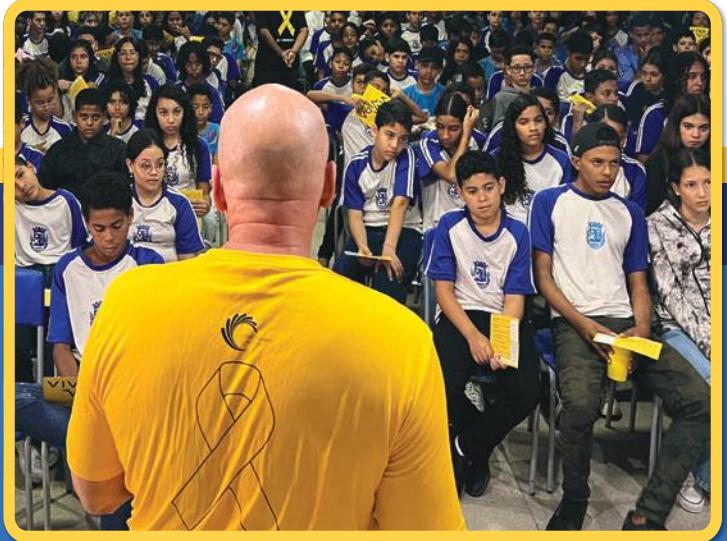
I've just returned from Brazil after forty unforgettable days of ministry with thousands of teens and young adults. Every year, Brazil observes Yellow September, a nationwide movement dedicated to suicide prevention and the celebration of life. For us, that month is a divine window of opportunity, a brief but powerful season to make an eternal impact. And this year, I can say with confidence, we did exactly that.

Together with my ministry team, we traveled over **3,000 miles by truck, held 65 meetings in four states and distributed more than 13,000 of Joyce Meyer's books**. Addressing the topics of suicide and self-harm is never easy, especially for those caught in that struggle. Yet the simplicity of God's truth has a way of cutting through fear,



stigma, and silence to create safe spaces for conversations about life, hope, and faith to begin.

As in previous years, the local governments opened their doors to us with remarkable favor. City officials granted access to public schools, provided neutral venues, and even bussed in students from across each district to hear the message. It was a beautiful picture of unity, an entire community coming together for the cause of life.





Twelve years ago, a young boy approached me after a church service, eager for just one thing - a photo with the snake. I could not have imagined then how that simple moment would shape his future. That boy, Braino, is now one of my favorite translators. A single encounter can plant a seed that grows into a lifelong calling for ministry!

Every ninety minutes, over two hundred students streamed into our events - wide-eyed, energetic, searching for meaning. We'd often hold up to five sessions daily and still gather again at night. Each moment was sacred ground, with those in attendance hearing a bold message of life and freedom.

Our approach remains simple and deeply intentional. Utilizing my personal testimony and the Sea of Trees video, we shared a clear message of faith and life. This message doesn't just expose the deception behind suicide and despair - it builds a bridge out of them. It offers hope, dignity and a tangible path toward freedom.

The model we use rarely changes. I describe it as reaching students on 3 levels: **mind, soul, and spirit.** We engage their minds with truth, anchor their hearts through visual storytelling and reach their souls through my story of loss - culminating in the message of Christ that awakens the spirit.

My greatest goal is always to begin a conversation about life and faith, one that God Himself continues long after we've gone. The books and resources we distribute ensure that message keeps traveling into homes, to parents, to friends - spreading hope far beyond the walls of any single event. In every event, we lead thousands of students in a personal prayer of salvation and a public confession of faith, many for the very first time. What unfolds in these gatherings is always unpredictable, because the atmosphere is already charged with deep spiritual intensity.



In several of our meetings, young girls stepped forward in tears, placing their razors - silent instruments of pain - into our hands as symbols of surrender and new beginnings.



In each and every event, we boldly lead thousands in a personal prayer of salvation and a public profession of faith, and for most of them, this was for the very first time! The dynamics in each of our events is unusual in a sense that there is no way to predict what will happen and what the response will be from students and teachers. The environment is already charged spiritually and the message of life that we carry provokes varied reactions in participants. Some will exit the auditorium. Others sob uncontrollably and still others manifest and exhibit signs of demonic oppression, at times forcing them to cry out or fall to the ground.

The battle that rages in the hearts and souls of hurting

young people is clearly seen in John 10:10: ***"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full."*** We present life in its purest form, and it is Jesus who can make all things new!



My team and local volunteers worked for hours each day, praying, setting up and ministering to young people! It is an honor to serve alongside each of them.

My team often asks me, "Chad, is it ever difficult to share the same emotional story over and over again?"

Yes. And also no.

*Yes, it's hard. Every time I tell my story, I revisit some deep and painful places. But no, it's never too hard to tell, because for the students in each event, it's the first time **they're** hearing it. And that reminder fuels me. The message isn't meant to stay silent, but to be heard by everyone.*

Revelation 12:11 says, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony."

The power of our testimony - the story of grace, redemption, and new life in Christ - becomes the very platform through which others find hope.

God does it for me...and He'll do it for you too.


We officially launched the Unstoppable Project in Brazil - now available in Portuguese! This discipleship program for teenage girls, created by OneHope and inspired by the teachings of Joyce Meyer, offers a powerful and engaging way for young women to explore the truth of God's Word and discover their true worth as daughters of God.

Placed in the hands of teachers, pastors and parents, this resource becomes more than a curriculum - it's a lasting weapon in the arsenal of disciple-making, continuing to shape hearts and lives long after we're gone.



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We traveled north to the state of Piauí, one of the poorest regions in the country. The entire northeast bears the highest suicide rates in the nation, and Piauí is situated in the heart of that crisis.

It was in the city of Paulo Afonso that our message of life resounded most powerfully. The bridge spanning the São Francisco River - known locally as the "Metallic Bridge" - offers a breathtaking view, yet has become a place of heartbreak. In just the past eighteen months, there have been **fifty-four suicide attempts and nine tragic losses**. There, overlooking the waters that have witnessed both sorrow and survival, we joined the mayor and city leaders in prayer - declaring together that the cycle of despair would be broken, and that Paulo Afonso would be known not for death, but for life.



As you read this, I'll be in Europe leading youth meetings and Viva Vida events in four countries. After two years of ministry in the region, new doors have opened wider than ever, and I'm walking through each one with gratitude and faith. This trip will take me to Portugal, Italy, Spain and Ireland, where we'll continue sharing the message of life, hope and the transforming power of Jesus.

From South America to Africa to Europe, the mission remains the same: to reach a generation standing on the edge and call them back to life. Each nation carries its own pain, but the message is universal: *hope still speaks, and Jesus still saves*. What began years ago in Brazil has become a global ripple, touching hearts in churches, classrooms, prisons and city squares. I believe we are witnessing not just events, but the tremors of revival - a generation awakening to purpose, identity and divine destiny.

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